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YUKON MONTHLY STATISTICAL REVIEW
February 2008

The most current statistics available on the state of the Yukon's economy

1. Population

The Yukon's population as of December 2007 was **32,714**. One year previous to that, in December 2006, the population was **32,335**. The difference is an **increase of 379** individuals, or **1.2%**, in the Yukon's population.
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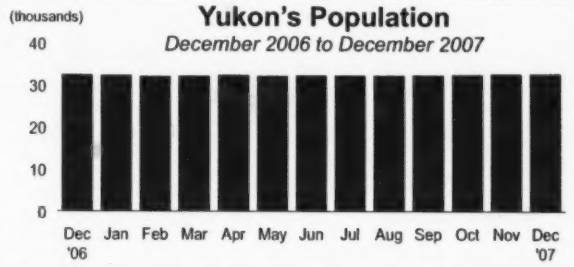

Yukon's Population
December 2006 to December 2007

2. Employment

The number of people employed in the Yukon as of February 2008 was **17,100** (seasonally adjusted). This is an increase of 800 compared to the February 2007 figure and is an increase of 200 compared to the January 2008 figure.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the Yukon as of February 2008 was **5.0%**. One year ago, in February 2007, the rate was **3.0%**.
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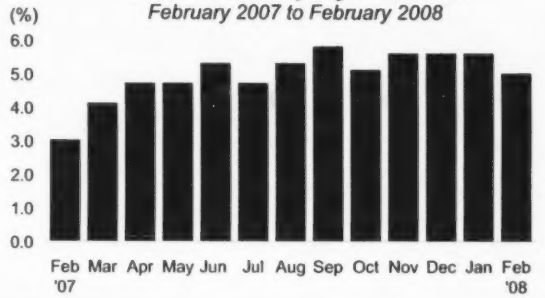


Yukon's Unemployment Rate
February 2007 to February 2008

3. Inflation

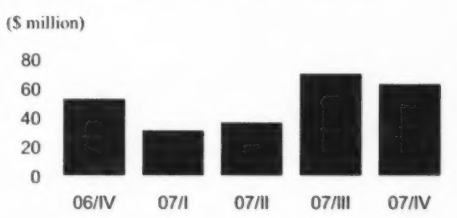
The annual rate of **inflation** in Whitehorse (figures are not available for the Yukon) was **3.2%** as of January 2008. The annual *average* inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2007 was **2.5%**.
(See page 6 for more detail.)

4. Rental Units

The median rent (half the rents are higher and half the rents are lower) in Whitehorse as of December 2007 was **$700**. This is the same as compared to September 2007. The vacancy rate for Whitehorse as of December 2007 was **2.8%**. This is 1.2 percentage points lower than in September 2007.
(See page 7 for more detail.)

5. Real Estate

The total value of real estate transactions in the Yukon for the fourth quarter of 2007 (October, November, December) was $62,410,000. This is an **increase of $10,383,500, or 20.0%**, from the fourth quarter of 2006 ($52,026,500). *(See page 7 for more detail.)*

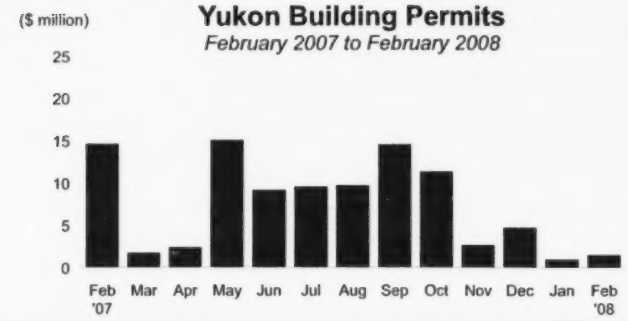


Yukon's Real Estate Transactions
Fourth Quarter 2006 to Fourth Quarter 2007

6. Construction

The value of building permits issued in the Yukon for February 2008 was **$1,431,000**. One year ago, in February 2007, the value was **$14,527,000**. This represents a decrease of $13,096,000 or 90.1%.
(See page 8 for more detail.)

Note: The high value of building permits in February 2007 was due in large part to the construction of the mill for Sherwood Copper Mine near Carmacks.



7. Resources

The commodity price in Canadian dollars for a troy ounce of gold was **$949.43** as of February 29th, 2008 on the London Exchange. One year ago, the commodity price was **$792.09**. The difference is an **increase of $157.34,** or **19.9%,** in the commodity price of a troy ounce of gold.
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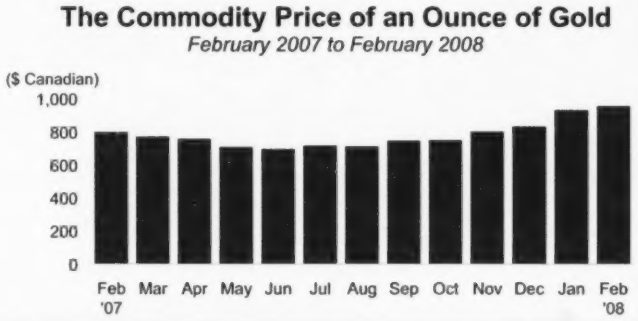
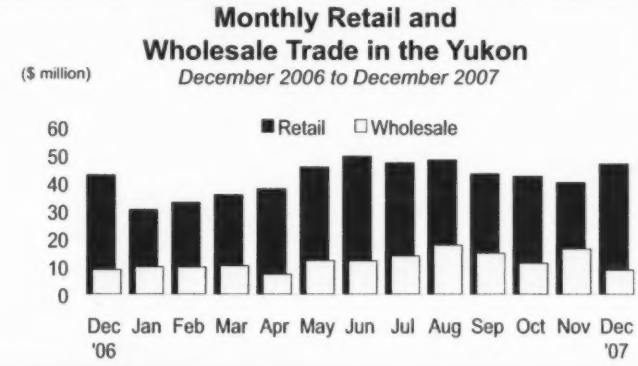


8. Retail & Wholesale Trade

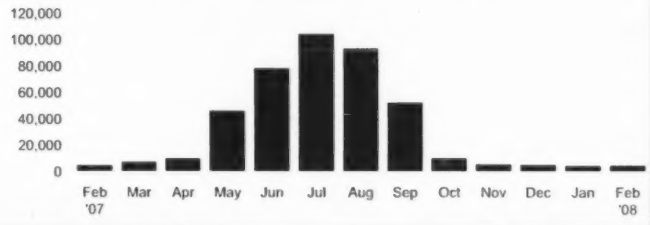
The preliminary value of retail trade in the Yukon for December 2007 was **$46,773,000**. This figure is an **increase of $3,940,000**, or **9.2%**, from the value of retail trade one year earlier, in December 2006.

Comparing the preliminary value for December 2007 with the value for December 2006, wholesale sales have **decreased by $140,000**, or **1.6%**, from **$8,909,000** to **$8,769,000**.
(See page 10 for more detail.)



9. Travellers

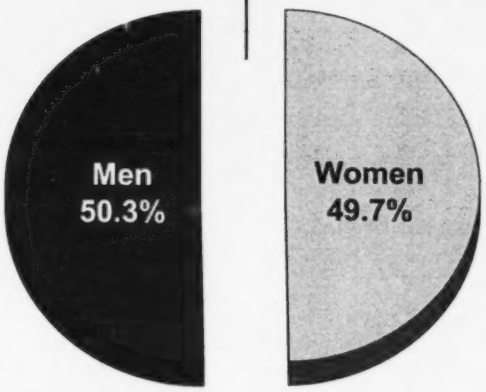
The number of travellers entering the Yukon by land at Canada Customs points of entry in February 2008 was **3,871**. This is a **decrease of 76** travellers, or **1.9%**, from the February 2007 figure of **3,947**.
The number of travellers from January to December 2007 was **415,188** compared with 396,377 for the same time period in 2006. This represents an **increase of 18,811 people, or 4.7%**.
(See page 11 for more detail.)



1. Population

■ 1.1 Yukon population by age & sex

December 2007	Total	Male	Female
0-4	1,849	950	899
5-9	1,823	906	917
10-14	2,049	1,056	993
15-19	2,404	1,283	1,121
20-24	2,303	1,087	1,216
25-29	2,117	1,044	1,073
30-34	2,226	1,011	1,215
35-39	2,372	1,146	1,226
40-44	2,669	1,261	1,408
45-49	3,184	1,568	1,616
50-54	2,983	1,513	1,470
55-59	2,465	1,292	1,173
60-64	1,757	1,010	747
65-69	981	562	419
70-74	668	360	308
75+	864	417	447
Total	32,714	16,466	16,248



Source: Yukon Health & Social Services and Bureau of Statistics.

■ 1.2 Yukon population by community

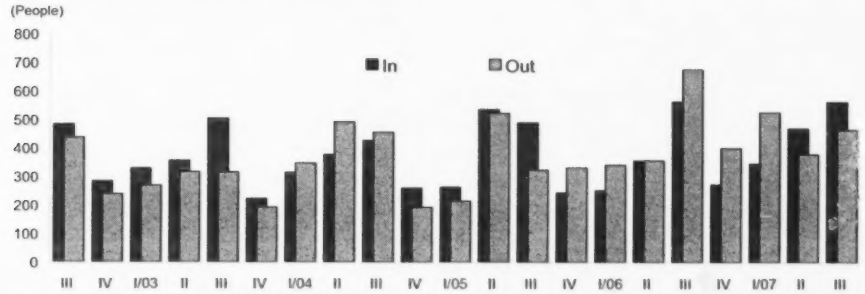
	Dec 2007	June 2007	Dec 2006
Beaver Creek	99	101	104
Burwash Landing	92	88	90
Carcross	423	437	437
Carmacks	444	426	405
Dawson City	1,879	1,876	1,859
Destruction Bay	55	56	58
Faro	372	382	398
Haines Junction	809	804	812
Marsh Lake	415	405	387
Mayo	423	388	424
Old Crow	256	271	281
Pelly Crossing	294	284	303
Ross River	349	355	352
Tagish	208	212	212
Teslin	426	428	417
Watson Lake	1,596	1,567	1,551
Whitehorse	24,473	24,041	24,151
Other*	101	91	94
Yukon	32,714	32,212	32,335

Source: Yukon Health and Social Services, Bureau of Statistics.
**Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 1.3 Yukon births & deaths

	Births	Deaths
2007		
November (p)	34	12
October	26	13
September	29	16
August	33	20
July	31	11
June	33	17
May	36	17
April	34	10
March	22	17
February	32	12
January	24	17
2006		
December	25	19
November	40	14

■ 1.4 Yukon migration estimates*



Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
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- **1.1** The December 2007 population of the Yukon was 32,714. Of the 32,714 people residing in the Yukon, 49.7% were females and 50.3% were males. Persons under the age of 15 accounted for 17.5% of the population, while 7.7% of the population was aged 65 or over.

- **1.2** In December of 2007, 74.8% of the Yukon's population lived in the City of Whitehorse. Between December 2006 and December 2007, the community with the largest percentage increase in population was Carmacks, where the population increased by 39 people, or 9.6%. Seven Yukon communities showed increases in population from December 2006 to December 2007.

- **1.3** In November 2007, preliminary estimates show 6 fewer births (34) and 2 fewer deaths (12) compared to November 2006.

- **1.4** Migration statistics for the Yukon show that for the third quarter of 2007 the number of in-migrants was 562, compared to out-migrants at 465. For the third quarter of 2007, the Yukon experienced a net gain of 97 people.

2. Employment

- **2.1** Comparing February 2008 with February 2007 figures, the following changes can be seen in the Yukon:
  - The labour force increased by 1,200, or 7.1%, to 18,000.
  - The number of employed Yukoners increased by 800, or 4.9%, to 17,100.
  - The number of unemployed Yukoners increased by 400, or 80.0%, to 900.
  - The unemployment rate increased by 2.0 percentage points, to 5.0%.

- **2.2** In the month of February 2008, the Yukon's rate of unemployment (5.0%), was 0.8 percentage points **below** the rate for Canada (5.8%). In February 2007, Yukon's unemployment rate (3.0%) was 3.1 percentage points **lower** than the rate for Canada (6.1%).

- **2.3** Comparing preliminary figures for December 2007 with figures for December 2006, the following changes in government employment in the Yukon have occurred:
  - Total government employment increased by 111, or 2.0%.
  - Federal government employment increased by 26, or 4.6%.
  - Territorial general government employment increased by 84, or 2.0%.
  - Municipal employment decreased by 33, or 6.3%.

■ 2.1 *Yukon labour force statistics (Seasonally adjusted)*

	Labour Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2008				
February	18,000	17,100	900	5.0%
January	17,800	16,900	1,000	5.6%
2007				
December	17,900	16,900	1,000	5.6%
November	17,800	16,800	1,000	5.6%
October	17,600	16,600	900	5.1%
September	17,200	16,300	1,000	5.8%
August	17,000	16,100	900	5.3%
July	16,900	16,100	800	4.7%
June	17,100	16,200	900	5.3%
May	17,000	16,200	800	4.7%
April	17,000	16,200	800	4.7%
March	16,900	16,200	700	4.1%
February	16,800	16,300	500	3.0%

Source: Statistics Canada. **Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.2 *Canadian unemployment rates (Seasonally adjusted)*

	Yukon	Canada	Nfld. & Lbdr.	PEI	NS	NB	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	BC
	(%)											
2008												
February	5.0	5.8	13.1	10.0	7.7	8.1	7.0	6.1	4.2	4.1	3.5	4.1
January	5.6	5.8	12.2	10.6	7.4	8.2	6.8	6.3	3.8	3.9	3.2	4.1
2007												
December	5.6	6.0	12.5	10.7	7.8	7.8	7.0	6.5	4.2	4.0	3.2	4.2
November	5.6	5.9	13.2	11.4	7.9	7.2	7.0	6.4	4.2	4.0	3.6	4.2
October	5.1	5.8	13.6	8.8	7.6	7.7	7.0	6.1	4.1	4.3	3.4	4.4
September	5.8	5.9	13.5	10.6	7.9	8.3	6.9	6.2	4.2	3.9	3.6	4.4
August	5.3	6.0	13.7	10.4	8.9	7.8	7.2	6.4	4.2	4.8	3.6	4.0
July	4.7	6.0	13.6	10.5	8.7	7.4	7.0	6.6	4.2	4.8	3.4	4.2
June	5.3	6.1	13.1	10.5	8.1	6.9	6.9	6.6	4.5	4.4	3.7	4.4
May	4.7	6.0	12.8	10.2	8.0	7.8	7.1	6.3	5.2	4.5	3.8	4.3
April	4.7	6.2	13.2	9.7	8.2	7.5	7.2	6.6	4.8	4.1	3.4	4.5
March	4.1	6.1	14.1	10.4	8.0	7.5	7.5	6.6	4.3	3.9	3.6	3.9
February	3.0	6.1	14.1	10.3	7.5	6.9	7.8	6.3	4.3	4.0	3.5	4.0

Source: Statistics Canada.

■ 2.3 *Government employment in the Yukon**

		Total	Federal General	Territorial General	Territorial Health & Social Services	Municipal
2007						
December	(p)	5,710	590	4,276	355	489
November	(p)	5,759	587	4,342	357	473
October	(p)	5,779	606	4,361	341	471
September	(r)	5,840	635	4,354	338	513
August	(r)	5,370	649	3,763	351	607
July		5,614	653	4,047	335	579
June		5,881	648	4,383	334	516
May		5,701	615	4,260	344	482
April		5,637	581	4,183	333	540
March		5,508	578	4,131	315	484
February		5,513	570	4,138	326	479
January		5,591	561	4,160	329	541
2006						
December		5,599	564	4,192	321	522

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
*Note: *Please see table footnotes on page 12.*

■ 2.4 *Average weekly earnings, including overtime*

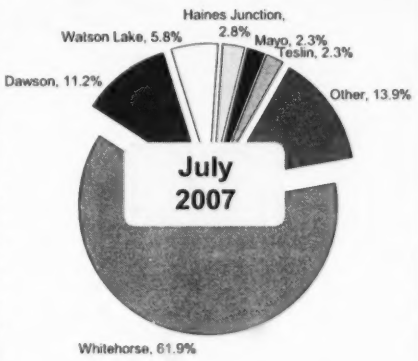
		Yukon Average	Goods-producing	Const.	Service-producing	Trade	Transp. & Ware-housing	Accomm. & Food Services	Public Admin.
					($)				
2007									
December	(p)	903.93	1,234.12	1,068.04	855.70	579.70	865.05	527.22	1,026.09
November	(r)	905.85	1,218.14	1,073.31	855.01	588.04	872.71	510.51	1,017.83
October		908.05	1,227.19	1,076.55	852.28	594.38	916.31	511.03	1,033.65
September		890.93	1,196.53	1,083.97	838.72	572.43	941.73	520.92	1,008.65
August		874.18	1,182.38	1,075.31	819.83	570.12	916.30	484.40	1,018.52
July		886.83	1,183.58	1,077.58	836.31	582.44	940.72	494.76	1,045.05
June		880.08	1,181.03	1,085.96	832.18	580.03	929.13	473.93	1,037.60
May		871.76	1,169.79	1,090.34	825.43	562.96	957.05	451.72	997.27
April		874.52	1,153.72	1,081.46	837.72	558.45	944.09	477.97	1,005.36
March		857.72	1,123.95	1,052.22	825.44	548.31	892.01	456.57	998.96
February		865.13	1,123.29	1,042.48	834.44	565.97	899.79	472.59	995.90
January		865.90	1,123.49	1,038.22	835.66	565.11	898.88	478.34	975.08
2006									
December		862.75	1,119.53	991.85	829.21	559.62	872.70	484.41	978.55

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

■ 2.5 *Community Employment Insurance claims*

	July 2007	June 2007	June to July % change
Beaver Creek	x	x	x
Burwash Landing	x	x	x
Carcross	26	18	44.4%
Carmacks	32	24	33.3%
Dawson City	134	80	67.5%
Faro	27	23	17.4%
Haines Junction	33	30	10.0%
Mayo	27	31	-12.9%
Old Crow	x	x	x
Pelly Crossing	22	19	15.8%
Ross River	x	12	x
Tagish	14	10	40.0%
Teslin	27	22	22.7%
Watson Lake	70	64	9.4%
Whitehorse	741	743	-0.3%
Yukon*	1,198	1,113	7.6%

Community EI claims as a percentage of all Yukon claims



Source: Human Resources Development Canada.
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■ 2.6 *Employment insurance beneficiaries, by type of benefit, unadjusted*

	Total Beneficiaries*	Regular Beneficiaries	Sickness	Maternity	Parental	Training
2007						
December	1,290	960	50	50	150	80
November	1,070	740	50	50	150	80
October (r)	900	590	50	60	150	50
September	720	440	40	60	150	20
August	740	470	50	60	150	0
July	780	500	60	70	150	0
June	770	490	50	60	140	10
May	980	700	60	60	140	20
April	1,380	1,030	50	70	140	90
March	1,480	1,120	50	60	150	100
February	1,450	1,100	50	60	140	90
January	1,450	1,130	30	60	140	90
2006						
December	1,320	1,000	50	60	140	70

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. ** Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ **2.4** Comparing preliminary figures for December 2007 with those of December 2006, the following changes in average weekly earnings can be seen:

- Average weekly wages for the Yukon increased $41.18, or 4.8%.
- Goods-producing industry wages increased $114.59, or 10.2%.
- Construction industry wages increased $76.19, or 7.7%.
- Service-producing industry wages increased $26.49, or 3.2%.
- Trade industry wages increased $20.08, or 3.6%.
- Transportation and warehousing wages decreased $7.65, or 0.9%.
- Accomodation and food services wages increased $42.81 or 8.8%.
- Public administration wages increased $47.54, or 4.

■ **2.5** ***Note:*** *Employment Insurance data by community is presently unavailable. YBS is working with Service Canada to acquire more current data.*

■ **2.6** Looking at the different types of employment insurance benefits and comparing December 2007 with December 2006, the following changes are apparent:

- Total beneficiaries decreased 30, or 2.3%.
- Regular beneficiaries decreased 40, or 4.0%.
- Sickness beneficiaries remained the same at 50.
- Maternity beneficiaries decreased 10, or 16.7%.
- Parental beneficiaries increased 10, or 7.1%.
- Training beneficiaries increased 10, or 14.3%.

3. Consumer Prices

■ **3.1** The Consumer Price Index measures changes in prices, or what is usually referred to as inflation. Table 3.1 shows that as of January 2008 the annual rate of **inflation** in Whitehorse was 3.2% (This is 1.0 percentage point higher than the national rate). A year ago, in January 2007, the inflation rate in Whitehorse was 0.6%.

*(The annual **average** inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2007 is 2.5%.)*

■ **3.2** According to the Consumer Price Index, overall **food** prices in Whitehorse in January 2008 increased 1.4% when compared with the previous month. Comparing January 2007 to January 2008, overall **food** prices increased the same (1.4%). During this same time period, for selected food items purchased from stores, bakery and cereal products had the largest increase, at 2.5%.

■ **3.3** The Community Spatial Price Index compares prices in Whitehorse to prices in other Yukon communities. Of all communities surveyed, October 2007, prices in Teslin were the closest to October 2007 prices in Whitehorse, with Teslin's prices being 6.1% higher than those in Whitehorse. The highest prices of the communities surveyed were found in Old Crow (71.3% higher than Whitehorse).

■ 3.1 *Consumer price index* (2002 = 100)*

All-Items	Whitehorse		Canada	
	Index	Change from last year	Index	Change from last year
2008				
January	110.4	3.2%	111.8	2.2%
2007				
December	110.6	4.0%	112.0	2.4%
November	110.7	4.1%	111.9	2.5%
October	110.4	3.9%	111.6	2.4%
September	110.8	3.4%	111.9	2.5%
August	110.5	2.6%	111.7	1.7%
July	110.7	3.0%	112.0	2.2%
June	109.7	1.7%	111.9	2.2%
May	109.5	1.9%	112.1	2.2%
April	108.7	1.7%	111.6	2.2%
March	108.0	2.0%	111.1	2.3%
February	107.3	1.3%	110.2	2.0%
January	107.0	0.6%	109.4	1.1%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. **Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 3.2 *Food price index, Whitehorse (2002 = 100)*

	January 2008	December 2007	% change Dec. '07 to Jan. '08	January 2007	% change Jan. '07 to Jan. '08
ALL ITEMS	**110.4**	**110.6**	**-0.2%**	**107.0**	**3.2%**
Food	**108.5**	**107.0**	**1.4%**	**107.0**	**1.4%**
Food purchased from stores	105.5	103.2	**2.2%**	104.3	**1.2%**
Meat	103.6	101.9	**1.7%**	103.5	**0.1%**
Dairy products	115.0	113.1	**1.7%**	113.2	**1.6%**
Bakery and cereal products (excluding infant food)	108.8	110.6	**-1.6%**	106.1	**2.5%**
Fresh fruit	91.2	88.7	**2.8%**	94.4	**-3.4%**
Fresh vegetables	88.3	86.2	**2.4%**	92.1	**-4.1%**
Food purchased from restaurants	115.6	116.3	**-0.6%**	113.2	**2.1%**

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

■ 3.3 *Community spatial price index, October 2007 (Whitehorse = 100)*

	Carmacks	Dawson City	Faro	Haines Junction	Mayo	Teslin	Watson Lake	Old Crow
Total Survey Items	**113.3**	**118.1**	**113.4**	**116.2**	**120.3**	**106.1**	**112.6**	**171.3**
Meat	106.8	100.3	..	90.0	106.0	91.3	98.3	163.8
Dairy/Eggs	124.8	111.5	126.3	121.9	131.7	114.5	113.5	207.0
Fruit/Veg.	114.2	122.8	149.1	143.3	112.7	106.9	121.6	224.4
Bread/Cereal	110.3	120.6	116.5	121.2	133.9	114.0	104.9	175.5
Other Foods	116.6	133.8	100.6	125.2	129.4	107.9	120.3	181.9
Household Operations	113.5	111.1	103.2	102.6	117.4	108.2	103.8	163.7
Health & Personal Care	128.7	139.7	..	..	134.0	..	143.8	..
Gasoline	110.5	119.4	..	106.5	117.2	100.0	107.4	134.6
Cigarettes	109.3	109.1	103.8	..	121.3	103.6	116.3	..

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics; ".." = insufficient data for reliable estimates.

4. Rental Units

■ 4.1 *Median rent, all units**

	Whitehorse								
	Whitehorse Total	Down-town	Granger	Hillcrest	Porter Creek	Riverdale	Takhini	Watson Lake	Dawson City
					($)				
2007									
December	700	680	700	700*	650	725	600	675	625
September	700	680	675	700*	650	725	600	675	625
June	680	675	675	750	650	725	560	675	625
March	680	675	675	750	650	700	600	595	625
2006									
December	675	675	675	750	650	700	560	595	625

*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12. Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

■ 4.2 *Vacancy rate, all units**

	Whitehorse								
	Whitehorse Total	Down-town	Granger	Hillcrest	Porter Creek	Riverdale	Takhini	Watson Lake	Dawson City
					(%)				
2007									
December	2.8	2.9	0.0	5.6*	4.3	2.6	0.0	11.4	0.0
September	4.0	4.0	0.0	4.2*	8.7	2.7	11.8	11.4	0.0
June	3.2	3.7	0.0	4.6	4.3	1.2	0.0	8.6	0.0
March	2.4	0.3	0.0	8.0	4.3	0.8	17.6	28.6	25.0
2006									
December	2.1	1.7	0.0	1.1	4.3	3.1	0.0	25.7	25.0

*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12. Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

■ 5.1 *Value of real estate transactions*

	Yukon	Whitehorse	Other
		($000)	
2007			
4th Quarter	62,410.0	52,731.6	9,678.4
3rd Quarter	69,315.7	60,521.3	8,794.4
2nd Quarter	35,984.2	31,801.5	4,182.7
1st Quarter	30,557.9	26,003.4	4,554.4
2006			
4th Quarter	52,026.5	45,369.5	6,656.9

*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12. Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

■ 5.2 *Number & value of real estate transactions in Whitehorse*

	Total	Single Houses	Family Lots	Mobile Homes	Condos	Duplexes	Multiple Residential	Commercial/ Industrial
Value of Real Estate Transactions ($000)								
2007								
4th Quarter	52,731.6	25,811.7	2,074.3	2,119.5	6,032.4	2,050.3	0.0	14,643.3
3rd Quarter	60,521.3	35,981.6	2,487.2	2,429.4	2,159.8	2,587.5	1,350.0	13,525.8
2nd Quarter	31,801.5	23,932.7	625.1	2,091.2	2,118.7	1,391.5	0.0	1,642.2
1st Quarter	26,003.4	10,825.3	1,329.3	2,160.4	1,671.3	1,601.0	1,898.1	6,518.0
2006								
4th Quarter	45,369.5	21,813.9	816.6	1,952.9	4,056.6	2,247.4	2,700.0	11,782.1
Number of Real Estate Transactions (no.)								
2007								
4th Quarter	178	88	22	12	28	10	0	18
3rd Quarter	207	121	27	15	11	13	4	16
2nd Quarter	135	89	10	13	11	7	0	5
1st Quarter	116	43	21	14	9	8	3	18
2006								
4th Quarter	164	87	12	14	22	12	3	14

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

■ **4.1** Comparing December 2007 to December 2006, median rents in Whitehorse have changed in the following ways:

- The overall median rent in Whitehorse increased $25, or 3.7%.
- Downtown, the median rent increased $5, or 0.7%.
- In Granger, the median rent increased $25, or 3.7%.
- In Hillcrest*, the median rent decreased $50, or 6.7%.
- In Porter Creek, the median rent remained the same at $650.
- In Riverdale, the median rent increased $25, or 3.6%.
- In Takhini, the median rent increased $40, or 7.1%.

■ **4.2** The overall Whitehorse vacancy rate in December 2007 increased 0.7 percentage points from December 2006 and decreased 1.2 percentage points from September 2007.

5. Real Estate*

■ **5.1** Comparing fourth-quarter 2007 figures with fourth-quarter 2006 figures, real estate transactions have:

- increased $10.4 million, or 20.0%, in the Yukon;
- increased $7.4 million, or 16.2%, in Whitehorse;
- increased $3.0 million, or 45.4%, in the areas outside of Whitehorse.

■ **5.2** The average selling price for a single house in Whitehorse increased by $42,600, or 17.0%, from the fourth quarter of 2006 ($250,700) to the fourth quarter of 2007 ($293,300)

*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

6. Construction

- **6.1** For the Yukon, the total value of building permits issued in February 2008 ($1,431,000) was $13,096,000 or 90.1%, below the February 2007 figure of $14,527,000.

Note: The high value of building permits in February 2007 was due in large part to the construction of the mill for Sherwood Copper Mine near Carmacks.

Note: In addition to new dwelling units, residential permits issued include renovations, garages and additions. "Total permits" does not include plumbing or stove permits issued.

- **6.2** Comparing total residential permits issued in Febuary 2008 with February 2007, the following changes have occurred in the Yukon:
  - The number of permits issued for new dwelling units has decreased from 5 to 3.
  - Other residential permits issued *(renovations, garages and additions) decreased from 47 to 40.

- **6.3** For Whitehorse, the total value of building permits issued in February 2008 ($1,158,000) was $544,000 or 88.6% above the February 2007 figure of 614,000.

Note: Residential permits were issued for 1 new single family residence and 1 new living suite. Included in Government permits issued was one for a generator installation on 100 Hamilton Blvd.

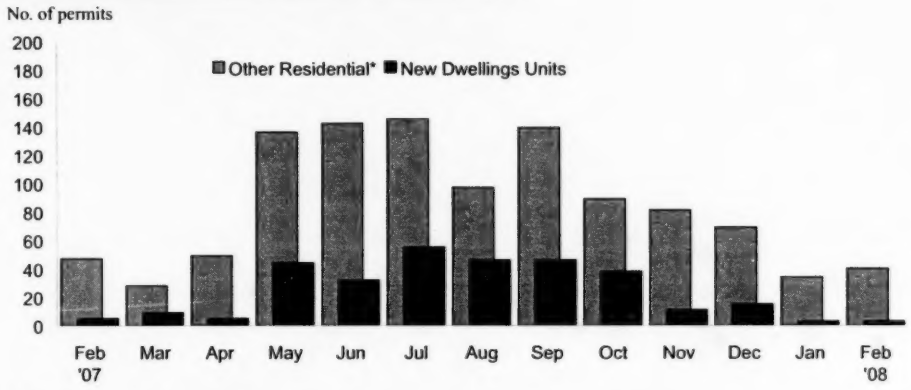
"Total permits" does not include plumbing or wood stove permits issued.

6.1 *Yukon building permits, number and value**

	Total		Residential		Industrial		Government/ Institutional		Commercial	
	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)
2008										
February	51	1,431	43	589	-	-	4	532	4	310
January	48	896	37	820	1	7	1	5	9	64
2007										
December	100	4,648	84	2,942	1	50	8	181	7	1,475
November	108	2,583	92	2,129	5	95	4	121	7	238
October	165	11,244	127	5,838	7	1,749	10	528	21	3,128
September	226	14,465	185	7,299	8	745	10	1,699	23	4,722
August	169	9,623	143	6,603	10	884	5	1,775	11	361
July	219	9,465	200	8,164	2	189	10	958	7	154
June	194	9,083	174	6,325	6	410	3	1,488	11	860
May	203	14,966	180	6,321	2	121	9	5,444	12	3,081
April	70	2,295	54	915	5	345	5	610	6	424
March	47	1,670	37	1,509	1	30	7	121	2	10
February	66	14,527	52	1,062	2	11,715	9	1,397	3	353

Source: YTG Community Services. **Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

6.2 *Yukon residential building permits*



Source: YTG Community Services.

6.3 *Whitehorse building permits, number and value**

	Total		Residential		Multi-Residential		Industrial		Government/ Institutional		Commercial	
	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)
2008												
February	43	1,158	35	464	1	3	-	-	3	382	4	310
January	22	553	13	488	-	-	1	7	-	-	8	59
2007												
December	59	2,222	51	630	-	-	1	50	1	82	6	1,460
November	76	1,686	65	1,373	-	-	5	95	-	-	6	218
October	123	9,319	89	4,413	3	9	7	1,749	3	20	21	3,128
September	146	9,842	116	4,857	2	6	8	745	1	3	19	4,231
August	120	5,999	103	3,149	2	1,847	6	614	1	70	8	319
July	121	4,285	112	3,647	-	-	1	29	3	461	5	149
June	144	6,726	129	4,107	-	-	5	370	2	1,484	8	765
May	115	7,183	103	3,884	-	-	1	81	4	543	7	2,675
April	33	893	25	284	-	-	3	165	1	20	4	424
March	31	1,451	25	279	1	1,039	1	30	3	96	1	7
February	33	614	24	174	1	4	1	6	4	77	3	353

Source: City of Whitehorse. **Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

7. Resources

■ 7.1 *London metal commodity prices**

	Gold		Silver		Lead		Zinc		Copper	
	Can. $	U.S. $	Can. $	U.S. $	Can. $	U.S. $	Can. $	U.S. $	Can. $	U.S. $
	($/troy oz)				($/kg)					
2008										
February	949.43	969.00	19.22	19.62	3.3254	3.3940	2.6660	2.7210	8.3680	8.5405
January	925.78	923.75	16.78	16.74	2.7475	2.7415	2.3973	2.3920	7.1863	7.1705
2007										
December	826.55	836.50	14.58	14.76	2.5009	2.5310	2.2578	2.2850	6.5966	6.6760
November	795.39	794.75	14.24	14.23	3.0524	3.0500	2.5325	2.5305	6.9616	6.9560
October	743.77	783.00	13.60	14.32	3.5061	3.6910	2.6554	2.7955	7.3722	7.7610
September	740.48	737.75	13.70	13.65	3.4638	3.4510	3.0703	3.0590	8.1952	8.1650
August	705.68	668.00	12.62	11.95	3.4703	3.2850	3.2431	3.0700	8.0075	7.5800
July	710.56	666.75	13.78	12.93	3.3239	3.1190	3.8264	3.5905	8.6950	8.1590
June	689.61	648.50	13.34	12.54	2.8148	2.6470	3.5103	3.3010	8.1350	7.6500
May	702.50	656.60	14.18	13.25	2.5132	2.3490	3.9431	3.6855	7.9606	7.4405
April	750.34	678.00	14.94	13.50	2.2134	2.0000	4.0843	3.6905	8.6594	7.8245
March	764.95	663.50	15.39	13.35	2.2320	1.9360	3.7821	3.2805	8.0011	6.9400
February	792.09	677.00	16.74	14.31	2.2347	1.9100	4.0599	3.4700	6.9966	5.9800

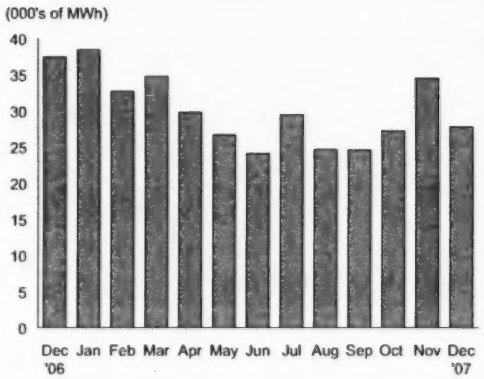
Source: London Bullion Market Association and London Metal Exchange.
**Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 7.2 *Electricity generated, Yukon*

	Total	Hydro	Internal Combustion
	(MWh)		
2007			
December	27,761	25,101	2,660
November	34,506	32,423	2,083
October	27,221	25,392	1,829
September	24,591	22,801	1,790
August	24,657	22,860	1,797
July	29,446	27,568	1,878
June	24,116	22,423	1,693
May	26,716	25,101	1,615
April	29,822	27,908	1,914
March	34,721	32,666	2,055
February	32,707	30,488	2,219
January	38,430	36,308	2,122
2006			
December	37,416	34,816	2,600

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

■ 7.3 *Electricity generated, Yukon*



■ 7.4 *Petroleum product domestic sales, Yukon*

	Total*	Aviation Gasoline*	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Stove Oil Kerosene	Diesel Fuel Oil	Light Fuel Oil	Lube Oils & Greases
	(cubic metres)							
2007								
November	7,598	14	1,238	665	1,814	2,949	894	23
October	11,390	77	1,941	1,165	2,246	5,264	637	58
September	10,831	153	2,458	1,452	1,519	4,790	384	51
August	12,423	208	2,652	1,732	392	6,927	469	40
July	11,916	256	3,241	820	181	6,695	674	48
June	11,776	283	2,467	1,999	168	6,684	132	42
May	8,670	159	2,027	1,067	441	4,653	266	55
April	9,578	38	1,509	833	1,333	5,198	612	55
March	15,463	14	2,251	1,192	2,894	8,012	1,056	43
February	10,860	25	1,365	948	2,339	5,202	951	29
January	10,149	8	1,499	707	2,782	4,052	1,072	26
2006								
December	10,518	8	1,638	690	2,898	4,207	1,056	20
November	10,238	14	1,725	747	2,355	4,334	1,029	33

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. **Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- **7.1** From February 2007 to February 2008, the metal commodity prices (in Canadian funds) have changed as follows:
  - Gold increased $157.34 per troy ounce, or 19.9%.
  - Silver increased $2.48 cents per troy ounce, or 14.8%.
  - Lead increased $1.09 per kilogram, or 48.8%.
  - Zinc decreased $1.39 per kilogram, or 34.3%.
  - Copper increased $1.37 per kilogram, or 19.6%.

- **7.2 & 7.3** Comparing December 2007 with December 2006, electricity generated in the Yukon has decreased from 37,416 MWh to 27,761 MWh. This represents a decrease of 9,655 MWh, or 25.8%.

- **7.4** Comparing figures for petroleum sales (m^3) in November 2007 with sales figures for November 2006, the following changes have occurred:
  - Total petroleum product sales decreased 25.8%.
  - Aviation gasoline sales have remained the same. (Aviation turbo fuel sales decreased 11.0%).
  - Motor gasoline sales decreased 28.2%.
  - Diesel fuel oil sales decreased 32.0%.
  - Light fuel oil sales decreased 13.1%.

8. Trade

- **8.1** Comparing preliminary retail trade value for December 2007 to December 2006, sales have increased by $3,940,000, or 9.2%. Comparing January to December 2007 with January to December 2006, retail sales have increased by $49,119,000, or 10.9%.

- **8.2** Comparing preliminary wholesale trade value for December 2007 to December 2006, sales have decreased by $140,000, or 1.6%. Comparing January to December 2007 with January to December 2006, wholesale sales have increased by $24,761,000, or 20.8%.

- **8.4** Comparing figures for February 2008 with February 2007, interest rates have changed as follows:
  - The bank rate has decreased 0.25 percentage points to 4.25%.
  - The prime business rate has decreased 0.25 percentage points to 5.75%.
  - The conventional mortgage rate (5-year) has increased 0.64 percentage points to 7.29%.

- **8.5 & 8.6** Total preliminary food services and drinking places receipts for December 2007 were $3,423,000. This was up 240,000, or 7.5%, compared to the December 2006 figure of $3,183,000.

  On an annual basis, in 2007 receipts totalled $45,894,000. This was up $1,267,000, or 2.8%, compared with the 2006 annual figure of $44,627,000.

Note: The 'Monthly Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns Survey' has been replaced with 'Monthly Survey of Food Services and Drinking Places'. See table footnotes on page 12 regarding changes.

8.1 *Retail sales, Yukon**

	Total Sales ($000)	Change From Same Month Last Year (%)
2007		
December (p)	46,773	9.2
November (r)	40,177	19.6
October	42,383	14.1
September	43,295	10.1
August	48,214	9.0
July	47,210	5.2
June	49,577	11.8
May	45,662	10.7
April	37,898	7.5
March	35,699	8.3
February	32,982	20.0
January	30,383	9.2
2006		
December	42,833	9.0

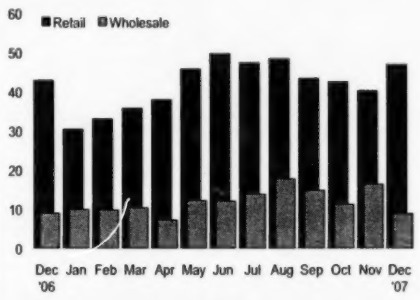
Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

8.2 *Wholesale sales, Yukon*

	Total Sales ($000)	Change From Same Month Last Year (%)
2007		
December (p)	8,769	-1.6
November (r)	16,314	131.5
October	11,188	14.5
September	14,780	20.9
August	17,671	36.2
July	13,751	1.2
June	12,022	10.4
May	12,151	29.7
April	7,208	-6.5
March	10,313	-18.5
February	9,775	43.3
January	9,886	39.2
2006		
December	8,909	6.0

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

8.3 *Retail & wholesale, Yukon*



8.4 *Selected interest rates*

	Bank Rate*	Prime Business	5-year Mortgage
	---------- (%) ----------		
2008			
February	4.25	5.75	7.29
January	4.25	5.75	7.39
December	4.50	6.00	7.54
November	4.75	6.25	7.39
October	4.75	6.25	7.44
September	4.75	6.25	7.19
August	4.75	6.25	7.24
July	4.75	6.25	7.24
June	4.50	6.00	7.24
May	4.50	6.00	7.14
April	4.50	6.00	6.64
March	4.50	6.00	6.49
February	4.50	6.00	6.65

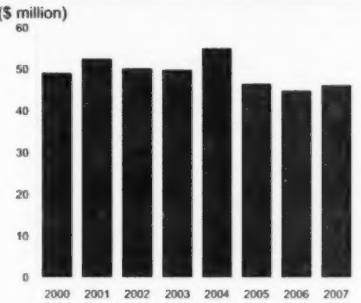
Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

8.5 *Food services and drinking places receipts*, Yukon*

	Total Receipts ($000)	% Change From Same Month Last Year
2007		
December (p)	3,423	7.5%
November (r)	3,206	10.2%
October (r)	3,204	-8.7%
September	3,856	5.0%
August	4,649	-5.9%
July	5,100	1.7%
June	4,708	2.6%
May	4,277	9.1%
April	3,665	9.5%
March	4,340	20.5%
February	2,850	-4.8%
January	2,616	-11.3%
2006		
December	3,183	-10.9%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

8.6 *Food services and drinking places receipts, Yukon**



9. Transportation

■ 9.1 *Travellers entering Yukon by land through Canada Customs**

	Total	Yukon Residents	Other Canadians	US Residents	Other Foreign Travellers
2008					
February	3,871	1,032	120	2,673	46
January	3,622	1,018	102	2,475	27
2007	415,188	32,630	32,140	320,819	29,599
December	4,378	1,037	184	3,141	16
November	4,790	1,141	185	3,446	18
October	9,270	2,119	552	6,444	155
September	51,308	3,309	3,659	39,765	4,575
August	95,635	4,959	7,896	75,288	7,492
July	103,526	5,942	9,584	80,999	7,001
June	77,550	4,064	6,235	61,302	5,949
May	45,302	4,690	2,309	34,218	4,085
April	9,126	2,415	640	5,926	145
March	6,481	1,247	459	4,709	66
February	3,947	729	234	2,930	54

Source: Bureau of Statistics.
**Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ **9.1** The number of visitors entering the Yukon by land from January to February 2008 was 7,493 compared to 7,822 for the same time period in 2007. This represents a decrease of 329 travellers, or 4.2%.

Comparing February 2008 with February 2007, the following changes occurred:

- The total number of travellers decreased by 76, or 1.9%.
- Yukon resident travellers increased by 303, or 41.6%.
- Other Canadian travellers decreased by 114, or 48.7%.
- U.S. travellers decreased by 257, or 8.8%.
- Other foreign travellers decreased by 8, or 14.8%.

■ 9.2 *Aircraft movements, Yukon communities*

	Beaver Creek	Burwash Landing	Dawson City	Faro	Mayo	Old Crow	Teslin	Watson Lake	Whitehorse
	(no.)								
2007									
May	55	118	404	31	559	92	..	470	3,625
April	6	24	165	16	390	46	..	230	3,204
March	10	..	125	21	86	97	..	185	1,737
February	9	19	145	21	75	43	..	125	1,362
January	6	4	114	26	22	34	..	88	1,037
2006									
December	..	..	114	10	31	92	..	..	1,473
November	..	40	141	23	220	54	..	185	1,062
October	..	43	289	106	246	54	..	325	1,580
September	..	42	642	352	723	222	..	764	1,870
August	..	92	766	139	789	85	..	775	2,926
July	..	302	1,224	76	1,080	158	..	967	3,063
June	..	107	1,078	30	710	2	..	872	3,514
May	41	52	390	20	332	73	46	490	3,938

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM and Aviation Statistics Centre.

■ **9.2** Comparing May 2007 with May 2006, the number of aircraft movements in Yukon communities has changed as follows:

- The number of aircraft flying in and out of Whitehorse decreased by 313, or 7.9%.
- In Mayo, travel by aircraft increased by 227 flights, or 68.4%.
- In Watson Lake, travel by aircraft decreased by 20 flights, or 4.1%.

Footnotes

1. Population

1.2 'Other' includes communities such as Champagne, Elsa, Johnson's Crossing, Keno City, Stewart Crossing & Swift River.

1.4 Migration estimates are based on both international migrants into and out of the Yukon as well as interprovincial movement according to the Child Tax Benefit files (Canada Revenue Agency).

2. Employment

2.1 All Yukon figures from the Labour Force Survey are three-month moving averages based on 92% coverage.

2.1 Yukon figures are rounded to the nearest hundred; because of this, figures may not sum to totals.

2.3 Territorial general government employment includes employees of all Yukon Government departments, as well as employees of the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health & Safety Board, etc.

2.3 Territorial Health & Social Services includes employees at Whitehorse General Hospital, Alexander MacDonald Lodge, Children's Receiving Home and Assessment, Detoxification Centre, group homes, Norman D. Macaulay Lodge, Northern Network of Services, Copper Ridge Place and the Thomson Centre. Yukon Liquor Corp. and Yukon Development Corp./Yukon Energy Corp. are considered to be business enterprises and therefore employment figures are not included.

2.4 Yukon figures are for all employees, including overtime. Unclassified employees are excluded. As of June 2001, NAICS (North American Industrial Classification System) is used in lieu of the previous SIC (Standard Industrial Classification). Other NAICS categories are available by contacting Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

2.5 Yukon total includes some communities not listed. Claimants whose applications are pending are included.

2.6 The number of beneficiaries receiving total income benefits includes other types of benefits than those displayed, but excludes employment insurance claimants receiving employment and support measures benefits.

3. Consumer Prices

3.1 The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures price changes over time but should not be used to compare costs between provinces and cities. As of the May 2007 CPI release, the weights of various items in the basket of goods and services used to calculate the index have been updated from 2001 to 2005. In addition, the CPI base year (the period for which the value 100 is assigned to the index) has changed from 1992 to 2002. Therefore, data from this and future publications should not be compared with previously released data.

4. Rental Units

4.1 & 4.2 The Yukon Rental Survey covers all buildings with four or more units. Rentals with less than four units (such as houses, suites and duplexes) are excluded from the survey.

4.1 & 4.2 Due to non-response of a landlord in Hillcrest for September 2007, the figures for Hillcrest 2-bedroom apartments are not a complete representation of all Hillcrest 2-bedroom apartments.

5. Real Estate

5.1 & 5.2 Rounded data may not sum to totals.

6. Construction

6.1 Rounded data may not sum to totals. Permits issued in the communities are totalled on a calendar month.

6.3 Special permits or permits for demolitions may have dollar values of zero. Whitehorse permits are reported for a thirty-day period from the sixteenth of one month to the fifteenth of the following month for which the totals are reported.

7. Resources

7.1 Canadian prices are based on the conversion of US prices using the 'noon' exchange rate at month-end by Bank of Canada. Prices of gold and silver are a.m. fix prices at month-end. Prices of lead, zinc and copper are London Metal Exchange "cash seller" prices at month-end.

7.4 'Total' includes other types of refined petroleum product sales. Domestic sales are by reporting companies, are exclusive of exports and sales to other reporting companies, and are adjusted for exports and imports by non-reporting companies.

7.4 'Aviation gasoline' includes all gasoline-type fuels for piston-type aircraft engines.

8. Trade

8.1 Retail estimates are normally revised every year. With the release of the April 2007 estimates, the unadjusted series have been revised back to January 2005.

8.4 Bank rate figures are from the last Wednesday of the month.

8.5 & 8.6 The Monthly Survey of Food Services and Drinking Places replaces the Monthly Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns Survey. In addition to including the extended use of administrative data and the reallocation and restratification of the sample, the survey now covers a target population which has been redefined to include non-employer establishments.

9. Transportation

9.1 Not included in this table are travellers entering the Yukon from another province or territory, persons entering the Yukon by air, and persons entering the Yukon by water. Conversely, totals include Fraser BC border crossing even though there is the possibility that these persons may never physically enter the Yukon.

Symbols & Abbreviations

-	nil or zero	I	January 1 to March 31
(--)	too small to be expressed	II	April 1 to June 30
(p)	preliminary figures	III	July 1 to September 30
(r)	revised figures	IV	October 1 to December 31
m^3	cubic metre	(x)	suppressed for confidentiality
(MWh)	megawatt-hour	..	not available

Note: In some tabulations, rounded data may not sum to totals.

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